



Have you purchased your Louisianagrown Christmas tree yet?

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FROSTED FANTASY

By Sam Irwin

When Peggy Anderson goes grocery shopping she's looking for building materials.

Ever since she entered the gingerbread house construction business 20 years ago, she's constantly combing the Piggly Wiggly aisles for new food items to help her fabricate the hundreds of edible gingerbread houses she manufactures each year at Christmas time.

Wheat Thins are tasty and make excellent finger food, but in Anderson's eyes, Wheat Thins double as roofing shingles. Cheerios can help reduce cholesterol, but they also make wonderful doorknobs for her delicately-detailed confectioned houses. Egg whites and confectioner's sugar are whipped into mortar and store-bought cookies become pre-fabricated windows and doors. With a little colored frosting, Bugle corn chips can be transformed into landscape shrubberies and macaroni rounds fashioned into Victorian architectural detail for the whimsical gingerbread homes. The icing cottages are fit for a king or the Pillsbury Doughboy.

"Every time I go to the grocery store, I'm always looking," Anderson said. "My daughter sees a cookie and says, 'Look, Mama. This cookie will be perfect for windows.' Shopping will never be the same again. Building these houses has changed the way I look at food."

Anderson's primary business is wedding cakes, and has been busy with brides every weekend for nearly 40 years. She built a tiny bakery in her Haughton back yard which, not surprisingly, she calls The Gingerbread House.

But by early November, Anderson and her 85-year-old mother, Jo Smith, formerly of Leesville, are busy baking sheets and sheets of gingerbread cookie building materials for use as roofs, walls, doors, windows and chimneys. She already has enough baked pre-fabricated pieces to build 200 houses, but estimates she'll need to get 500 assembled for the Christmas rush.

She takes orders for her gingerbread houses year round, but says some of her customers can be last minute shoppers.

"One year, on Christmas Eve, a customer called and said he had forgotten to order a gingerbread house and his wife really had to have one," Anderson recounted. "I told him he could have the one off my mantle if he really needed it. He took it. He had a really sad story."

Anderson's mother handles baking duties. Amazingly, all of the baking for the thousands of wedding cakes and gingerbread houses Anderson produces is done in a regular-sized home oven.

Smith, who learned how to bake with a firewood-fueled oven as a little girl, said she was born to bake.

"I was raised to bake," Smith said. "My mama made sure we learned how to bake. I love to bake."

After the gingerbread is retrieved from the oven and cooled, Anderson retrieves her custom-made cookie cutters and trims the cookie into squares, rectangles and triangles. The cookie material is soft and pliable.

"We used to cut the shapes using cardboard patterns," Anderson said. "We did so many of them that got old and time-consuming, so I had these custom cutters made."

A heavy daub of royal icing (whipped egg whites and confectioner's sugar) along the edge of a gingerbread wall serves as the mortar to glue the pieces together into a house shape.

If two pieces are not symmetrical, Anderson simply uses a pair of household scissors to trim an edge.

The Chalet, an A-frame model, is the simplest and most popular house she See The Gingerbread House, page 2

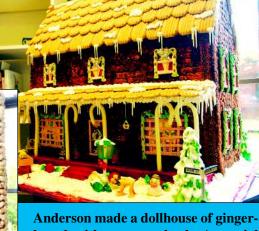


Gingerbread house builder Peggy Anderson (center) poses with daughter Carla Nesbit (left), mother Jo Smith (right), and grand-daughter Meagan Nesbit (front).



Anderson can tailor her gingerbread houses for custom themes like Halloween and riverboats.





Anderson made a dollhouse of gingerbread with an open back. A special molded cookie presser imbedded the stone print pattern into the gingerbread house walls.







Anderson uses a heavy dollop of icing as mortar to cement the thin gingerbread walls together. The house structures are placed on shelves to dry and will be decorated in time for Christmas.

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builds. Using only four parts, two rectangular and two triangular pieces of gingerbread cookie material, Anderson quickly cements the shapes into a gingerbread house. After the icing-glue is applied, she sets it aside so the mortar can harden. The shelves of her tiny shop are laden with unfinished houses waiting to be decorated, but by Christmas, the shelves will be jammed with fully decorated gingerbread houses.

"The Chalet is one of the simplest ones there is to put together," Anderson said. "You've got a back and front and then the roof."

She calls her other standard designs the Cabin, Hansel and Gretel, and Santa's Workshop. Every gingerbread house is adorned with a tiny sugar white rabbit.

"It's my trademark," Anderson said. "But I make

five brown gingerbread rabbits and hide them on the houses. If the customer buys one with a brown rabbit, they get 10 percent off their next order."

For color, Anderson applies a thinned coat of royal icing tinted with food coloring. Red gingerbread houses are most popular, but she also paints her sugar shacks with blue and yellow. Some were even painted orange for Halloween.

The smallest gingerbread house is served on a 12-by-12 tray circled with an iced-pretzel fence. The largest is mounted on a 16inch plate. Icicles drip from snowy roofs

builds. Using only four parts, two rectangular and two triangular pieces of gingerbread cookie material, Anderson quickly cements the shapes into a gingerbread house. After the icing-glue is applied, she sets it aside so the embedded with gumdrops, peppermints and cookies. Little snowmen, runaway gingerbread men and snow-bound Christmas trees decorate the tiny front yards of the miniature houses.

Anderson, her mother and two part-time helpers hand make the thousands of snowmen, trees and shrubberies that make a gingerbread house a gingerbread home. Her

daughter, Carla, and granddaughter, Meagan, also help in the assembly of the tiny houses.

The trees are inverted ice cream cones dripped with green royal icing and trimmed with white. The snowmen are two balls of gum paste stuck together. A straight pretzel serves as stick arms. Each snowman wears a black stovepipe or red stocking hat and tiny black specks of icing are

painstakingly applied as buttons, nose and eyes.

"I make all of these little decorations," Anderson said. "That's why I have to start way ahead of time."

Anderson got started creating the confections when she placed her first-ever gingerbread house in her husband's grocery store in 1983.

"I had a little cake shop next to his store," Anderson said. "I put the house on top of the meat case to dry and someone came in and ordered one. And then someone else came in and ordered one. I sold four that first year.

The next year I sold 40."

Encouraged, Anderson built on her modest success by attending seasonal holiday shows in Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana and Tennessee. She has made as many as 5,000 gingerbread houses in a season.

"I had a crew working that year," Anderson said. "It was a job, but it was fun."

The arrival of her grandchildren curtailed her demonstration activity, but now that they are older, she and her husband, Carlton, are making plans to get back on the holiday show circuit.

Her hard work was not unnoticed by media. Regional TV stations have highlighted the Gingerbread House and the lady who makes the cakes. In 1998, the nationally-distributed

Country Woman magazine printed a feature on her gingerbread house business.

"The editor was so pleased with what I do she gave me five pages in the magazine," Anderson said. "I still get calls from women all over the country from that article."

For storage and shipping, each house snugly fits into a cardboard box. Some customers choose to eat their gingerbread houses as a Christmas custom, while others store it away for later decorative use. Bay leaves sprinkled inside the house and box preserve the gingerbread house so it can be enjoyed for a number of years, Anderson said. The edible shelf life is six to eight months.

Anderson also custom builds replicas of homes and buildings. She thumbed through

her extensive picture book and pointed to several of her favorites, including plantation homes, governor's mansions, paddlewheel riverboats and churches. She welcomes the challenge of creating something different.

"I love to build the little churches." Anderson said. "I love the little churches. But I can duplicate any house, including the detail of a stained glass window. It takes a lot of hours. It's not something you do overnight.

"But I love the challenge, the bigger the better. I do the wedding stuff all year long,

but the gingerbread season is a fun change."

After a few years of building houses, customers were asking so many questions Anderson decided to share her building tips with the public. This

year, Anderson will be instructing neophyte house builders Dec. 10 at her West McKinley Street location.

Typically, Anderson schedules three classes for children aged 6 to 12 during the day. Each child builds a fully-decorated gingerbread house by lesson's end. Although she's taught adults how to construct the candy houses, she prefers the younger people.

"Kids are more fun," she said. "The houses don't have to be perfect. I get a kick out of seeing the little kids light up when they see the gingerbread houses. I love giving the lessons to the little kids."

Anderson has plans to build a Web site, but until it is up and running she may be contacted at (318) 949-9194.







Anderson's mother, Jo Smith, paints gingerbread cookie materials with icing thinned with water and tinted holiday red (left). Anderson adjusts a gum drop in the snowy icing of one of the many Christmas decorations she will make this holiday season (above).





Anderson's granddaughter, Meagan, holds a completed gingerbread house she helped decorate last year (above). A colorful store-bought cookie looks like a stained-glass window on one of Anderson's gingerbread house creations (left).

Louisiana Agriculture & Forestry Today

Department employees honered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Agriculture and Forestry employees were honored by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency for their work in an investigation halting an imported shipment of mislabeled pesticide material into the Port of New Orleans, Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob

"These employees do exemplary work and deserved recognition for their efforts," Odom said. "We've always had an excellent working relationship with the EPA because of our willingness to assist in special projects like this."

In a brief ceremony in Marksville, Maria Martinez, pesticides section chief for region six of the EPA, awarded New Orleans District Manager for Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Milton

Three Louisiana Department of Schleismann, Program Coordinator Lisa Gautreaux and Assistant Director of Pesticides Environmental Programs David Fields with plaques citing their "extraordinary teamwork and inspection coordination" related to import investigations in the state.

Fields gave the credit to Schleismann.

"He's the one who did most of the legwork in this investigation," Fields said. "He was the inspector on the ground visiting the brokerage houses, comparing pesticide labels with the shipping manifests. He's the one who had to face the shipping agents."

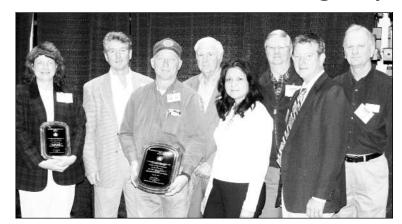
Gautreaux said the objective of import inspection is to ensure that pesticides imported into or exported from the United States comply with Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and

Rodenticide Act requirements. Imported pesticides that are found not to be in compliance must be detained and possibly refused entry if they cannot be brought into compliance.

Schleismann, a native of New Orleans, is a 21-year veteran of LDAF. Gautreaux, from Baton Rouge, began her career at LDAF in 1984. She started as an inspector and has held a supervisory position since 1990. Fields is originally from Gibsland and became assistant director of Pesticides and Environmental Programs in 1991.

Odom said the awards were definitely merited.

"All three of these public servants are extremely competent at what they do and we're glad to be able to coordinate our state efforts with federal authorities in keeping the resi-



From left, Gautreaux, Asst. Commissioner of Ag Environmental Sciences Matthew Keppinger, Schleismann, Commissioner Odom, Martinez, Fields, Pesticides & Environmental Programs Director Bobby Simoneaux and La. Project Officer, EPA Region 6 Dick Watkins

dents of New Orleans, Louisiana and the United States safe," Odom said. "At the same time we are constantly

striving to make sure manufacturers using these raw materials are getting the product they paid for."

Did You Know:

The Department Agriculture and Forestry is currently updating its Web site to include more information frequently requested by visitors to

The first addition is a page of Helpful Consumer Publications that includes quick links to the department's Ag Products Directory, Christmas tree growers list, licensed arborists list and licensed utility arborists

In the future, the department plans to place additional links on the page to help consumers easily navigate the services offered by LDAF offices.

Another new feature on the site is a Wildfire the Next Storm area accessed from the homepage. The wildfire page includes information about handling debris, safe burning of debris and fire danger ratings. Phone numbers and addresses for district forestry offices are also linked to the page.

The online version of the Market Bulletin remains a popular feature of the LDAF Web site. Remember, the current issue of the bulletin is available for subscribers every other Thursday (on its publication date) at noon. Use the subscription number found on the mailing label on page 12 to log into the Market Bulletin site.

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2005 AQHA blue & red roan weans., yrlgs. & 2 yrs., Blue Valentine & Hancock bloodlines, \$1500/1-up. A. Hatten, Grayson; (318) 366-5218.

2005 AQHA weans., On The Money Red, Bully Bullion, Vital Sign, Raise Your Glass & Blue Valentine, \$1500/1-up. Ronny Hatten, Grayson; (318) 366-5218.

2003 AQHA reg. roan geld., Blue Valentine, Raise Your Glass bloodlines, very gentle, ready to start, \$2000. M. Hatten, Columbia; (318) 452-3832 or (318) 366-5218.

Reg. App. stallion, great pedigree & flashy, \$1000. Clay Champagne, New Iberia; (337) 364-1398.

AQHA reg. 6 yr. bay geld., very gentle, beautiful conform., anyone can ride, Poco Model Boy, Red Tip Panic, all vacc., \$1500. Ross Mulé, Franklinton; (985) 839-4595.

Baby miniature horses, beautiful horses, but no papers, can del. for cost, (2) \$100/1; (4) \$200/1; (8) \$300/1. Skip Russell, Ruston; (318) 548-5050.

Coming 2 yrs., blk. bay Arab colt, high percentage CMK breeding, very sweet natured, easy going, well handled, not flighty or goofy, solid, good minded colt, sport horse type of movement, \$2000 obo. Anna Baudin, Denham Springs; baroquefarms@cox.net or (225) 665-2186.

Coming yrlg., blk. Arab colt, high percentage CMK, sire & dam both blk., very pretty, will have good size, over 15 hands, handled daily, sweet, easy going, \$2000 obo. Randy Baudin, Denham Springs; baroquefarms@cox.net or (225) 665-2186.

2 yr. Welsh, section B, riding pony stallion, flashy golden pal. w/chrome, very sweet natured, easy going, well worked with, very well bred, \$2500. A. Baudin, Denham Springs; baroquefarms@cox.net or (225) 665-2186.

(3) **Solid blk.** Arabian stud

colts, exceptional quality, Egyptian/Spanish bloodlines, \$2500/1-up. D. Stoute, Opelousas; (337) 351-3815 or (337) 585-2642.

APHA breeding stock 4 yr. geld., good trail riding horse, will make good roper, \$1200 obo; AQHA 3 yr. geld., \$800; APHA 3 yr. filly, both started well under saddle, \$1100; APHA mares good broodmares & broke to ride, some in foal. L. Kurz, Folsom; (985) 796-0555.

App. horses, yrlgs., broodmares & riding prospects, \$1000/1-up. Ruby or Jimmy Berry, Marion; www.berryappaloosafarm.com or (318) 292-5178.

5 yr. TW red & wh. mare, 15 ½ hands, 1000 lbs., trail rides, experienced rider, flashy, \$1000. Gary Canoe, Bentley; (318) 899-5972.

Paso Fino stallion, \$4800 & others, preferred Columbian bloodlines, App. mare/bred, \$1600; paint mare, w/filly, \$2800/pr., bomb proof. Mike Clark, Ville Platte; (337) 363-0607.

3 ½ yr. sorrel QH mare, in foal to pal. TW, also her 7 mo. pal. filly, other mares & gelds. avail., \$550. Tim Soileau, Ville Platte; (337) 363-0242.

1/2 **Belgian,** 1/2 **QH** '05 bay colt, \$1000; 1/2 Belgian, 1/2 APHA '05 blk. & wh. filly, \$1500; 3/4 Draft, 1/4 APHA '05 blk./wh. colt, \$2500; 1/2 Welsh, 1/2 QH bay '05 colt, \$400; 6 yr. spotted Draft mare, 16.1 hands, 1500 lbs., works & rides, bred for '06, \$5000, others avail. Ben Baggett, Mittie; (337) 639-2086.

12 yr. blk. mare, grade TW, gentle, easy ride, \$1000. Ronald Crow, Natchitoches; (318) 352-1103 or (318) 357-0958.

AQHA gray filly, dbl. bred Poco Bueno & Doc's Prescription, well balanced, w/clean neck & head set, very nice, \$1600. Jeff Brassette, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-798.

4 yr. reg. blue papered Missouri Fox Trotter geld., trail ready, loads, clips, ties, shoes, crosses water & bridges, great little trail horse, \$2500. Tracy Thrash, Bastrop; http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland, (318) 556-2217 or (318) 237-8356.

4 yr. reg. Missouri Fox Trotter geld., beautiful dapple gray, ridden on trails, big motor, not for beginners, finish him out for \$2500 or we finish & the price goes up. Donnie Thrash, Bastrop; http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland, (318) 556-2217 or (318) 237-8356.

1996 Big stout QH blk. geld., 15 hands, 1300 lbs., used for team roping, heading, pasture roping, team penning & sorting, trail riding, also kids rode him barrel racing, great handle, gentle, good conform., fast, all shots, no bad habits, not reg., \$3500. D. Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

(15) reg. AQHA yrlgs. Zippididoodah, \$1000/1-up. Dennis Crain, Winnsboro; (800) 228-8423 or (318) 435-4280.

AQHA & APHA horses, (2) gelds., (1) filly & mares, all good riding horses, or brood mares. L. Kurz, Folsom; (985) 796-0555.

Reg. & non reg. mares, colts & fillies, solids & pintos, all ages & colors, \$250/1-up. Jerome

Hammons, Many; (318) 256-2420. **AQHA reg. 6 yr.** sorrel mare, 15 hands, granddaughter of Jet Injun & Sport Model Ethan, very responsive to cues, 5 mos. pro. training on cows, \$3500. T. Payne, Broussard; (337) 837-5813.

AQHA reg. 14 yr., chestnut geld., 15.2 hands, this is the hunter/jumper/babysitter that you have been looking for, smooth ride, w/automatic, effortless, lead changes, great for beginner or rider moving up from pony, extremely quite, great manners, \$8500. K. Payne, Broussard; (337) 837-5813.

AQHA reg. pal. stallion, Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Barpass Myers, King P-234, top & bottom, \$6000 nego. E. J. Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

Reg. AQHA App. colts, fillies, studs & broodmares, 3/N/1 package, \$1000/1-up. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

Blk. & wh. App. stallion, Cooterville Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234 bred, \$5000 nego. Hermina Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-0457.

(2) AQHA fillies, (1) yrlgs., (1) wean., reg., Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Sonny Dee Bar bloodlines, \$1200/1-up. A. Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-0457.

(3) **foundation** bred QH, (1) reg. QH colt, \$400; (1) reg. QH colt, \$500; (1) reg. QH filly, \$500; (1) paint colt, no papers, \$400. Paul Harrison, Amite; (985) 748-7780.

16 yr. reg. QH mare, \$2000; 3 yr. sorrel filly, broke to ride, very gentle, \$1000. Brett Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 717-1270.

2002 AQHA pal., stallion, cremello color, blue eyes, Poco Bold, Super Maiden bloodlines, broke to ride, soft headed, photos avail. upon request, \$3000. Patrick Boudreaux, Napoleonville; (985) 369-6531.

4 yr. sorrel mare, gentle, spirited, broken for trail riding, \$900. Melvin Thornton, Olla; (318) 495-5661.

2000 QH reg. geld., 60 days pro training, \$3000; '02 Appendix non-reg. stud, green broke, \$750; '04 Thoroughbred, non-reg. stud, saddled but not ridden, \$600. Sarina Lirette, Bourg; (985) 665-0464.

Blk. & wh. paint geld., 25 yrs., gentle, easy to catch, great to ride, great papers, \$2500. Linda Bordelon, Lake Charles; (337) 802-2572 or (337) 528-8346.

15 yr. APHA mare, blk., Impressive blood, \$1300; 8 yr. buckskin mare, gentle, \$1200; 6 yr. blk./wh. geld., \$1100, all broke, ready to ride. Kevin Matherne, Kentwood; (985) 748-3751.

Cutting bred horses, sired by own son of Little Peppy, \$700/1-up. Brenda Beauboeuf, Alexandria; (318) 443-8967.

1987 AQHA pal. mare, in foal to IBHA, AQHA buckskin, great kids horse, \$1500; 7 mo. AQHA red roan filly, \$800. Joe Kimble, Ethel; (225) 326-9112 or (225) 683-5873.

AQHA 6 yr. sorrel geld., dbl. bred Sports Model Tineage, excel. prospect, needs work, \$1750, will trade for like value. Carl Fontenot, St. Francisville; (225) 635-3605.

Miniature horse, 34" mahogany bay mare, very gentle, \$550. Vincent

or Megan Losavio, Torbert; www.geocities.com/friscofarms or (225) 625-4439.

AMHR 4 yrs., 31" ¾" paint mare, \$800; 33 ¼" gray stallion, \$700. Neal White, Prairieville; (225) 673-8475 or (225) 571-8888.

4 yr. reg. QH geld., great horse for experienced rider, \$1000 nego, you pick up. Roger Gassiott, Elizabeth; (318) 634-7183.

7 yr. QH mare, gentle, kids can ride, great disp. & conform., no bad habits, granddaughter of Colonel Freckles, reg., \$1700. Philip Guinn, Mermentau; (337) 824-2047 or (337) 329-0067.

AQHA weans., yrlgs., 2 yr. & some mares, Haidas Little Pep & foundation bred, \$1000/1-up. Betty Hertzog, Natchez; (318) 379-2221.

Training all breeds, gentle colt starting, ranch using horses, problem horses, training, showing, sales, lessons & overnight boarding. Donnie or Tracy Thrash, Bastrop; http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland, (318) 556-2217 or (318) 237-8356.

STALLION SERVICE

Welsh section B, pal. stallion, great temperament, nice mover, flashy colored, lovely head, \$400/\$6 mare care. Anna Baudin, Denham Springs; baroquefarms@cox.net or (225) 665-2186.

1998 golden pal., 14.2 hands, wide muscular build, pro trained for cutting, Dry Doc, Doc Bar, Poco Lena, Poco Bueno, Leo Wimpy, \$300/\$3 mare care. Dean Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

2001 bay stallion, 14.2 hands, well built, pro trained, now being shown in cutting, lots of cow, Tanquery Gin, Doc O'Lena, Royal King, Doc Bar, Doc's Sug bloodlines, \$400/\$3 mare care. D. Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

8 yr. grandson of Puddenhead, bay, star, great disp., \$400/\$4 mare care. Jeannette B. Jackson, Jennings; www.quarter-horse.com or (337) 824-1642.

AQHA golden pal. stallion, Peppy's Boy 895 x daughter of Maxi Lena, view pedigree at www.bayouquarterhorses.com, \$400, includes 1 wk. mare care. Romy Morvant, Thibodaux; (985) 446-0708.

Miniature blk. stallion, \$75, includes 1 wk. mare care. John Morvant, Thibodaux; (985) 446-0708

Shining Sneakers, AQHA open superior reining, circuit championships, NRHA money earner, son of Shining Spark, \$850 plus mare care. Cheryl Borer, Walker; www.borerquarterhorses.com, (225) 667-7415 or (225) 892-7194.

Honor & Cash, 15.2 hands, chestnut, Dash for Cash, Easy Jet, Texas Dancer, Hijo the Bull, Boston Mac, Leo, \$400/\$5 mare care. Beth Humphries, Monroe; (318) 343-0823.

Pal. stallion, Gay Bar King bred, 6th generation pal., 1st breeding season, limited breedings, \$350/\$5

mare care. Mallory McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

Blue roan stallion, 62% Rowdy Blue Man, 31% Blue Valentine, line bred Hancock, (8) prs. of matched chromosomes, will reproduce foals like himself, very nice, must see, \$400/\$5 mare care. Laurie McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

Chestnut stallion, Colonel Freckles, War Leo, Senor George & Son of a Doc, produces extremely nice foals, great disp. & easy on the eyes, \$400/\$5 mare care. Kyle McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

Dun stallion, 100% color producer, Doc's Hickory, Doc O'Lena, Peppy San, Sonita's Last, absolutely beautiful, a must see, \$400/\$5 mare care. Jeff Brassette, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

Straight Egyptians at stud, Norus son, IBN Moniet, Farazdac, Tuhotmos, Imperial Imdal grandson, \$750. Jeff Dupre, Washington; (337) 585-2642.

Reg. chestnut & wh. tobiano homozygous TW stallion, by Battle Colors, & Paints Moon Man, 15.3 hands, guaranteed paint, beautiful & great disp., \$300/\$5 mare care. Melissa Briley, Opelousas; (337) 543-8578.

Reg. 5 yr. blk. TW stallion, sire is I'm Dumas Walker, by the Pusher CG (WGC), by Mark of Carbon (WGC), dam is Star's Barbie Doll, by Johnny Cash, by Midnight Sun (WGC), 15.1 hands, great disp. & conform., \$300/\$5 mare care. Cody Darbonne, Opelousas; (337) 543-8578.

Reg. AQHA buckskin stallion, sire is Peppy Freckles Bar, by Freckles Badger Doc, by Doc's Spencer Bar, dam is Ikes Shuqualak Belle, by Lemac Peponita Fox, by Sport Model & Smarty Poco, great disp., \$300/\$5 mare care. C. Darbonne, Opelousas; (337) 543-8578.

Reg. 4 yr. blk./wh. tobiano, homozygous TW stallion, own son of Calvin Klein, by Bob's Beaucoup Boy, dam is Cheyenne's Painted Lady, 16 hands, guaranteed paint, beautiful disp. & conform., \$300/\$5 mare care. Jim Briley, Opelousas; (337) 543-8578.

Reg. blk. Mammoth jack, size, looks, disp. & bloodlines, intro fee \$150 mares; \$200 jennies. Roy Firmin, Zachary; (225) 654-9566 or (225) 772-2040.

2002 AQHA sorrel stallion, out of excel. working horse stock, Peppy San Badger, Colonel Freckles, Doc O'Lena & Croton Oil Bill on papers, very easy to handle & breed, \$350. Corey Zeringue, Cut Off; (985) 665-6137.

Pb Arabian, 3 yrs., gray, w/blk. mane & tail, (4) full blk. stockings, Polish bred, w/awesome intelligence, 15 hands, makes great QH cross also, \$500/\$5 mare care. Patricia Markow, Loranger; (985) 878-4230.

APHA Absolutely Awestruck, 16 hands, beautiful head, big boned, sorrel overo w/good color by Mighty Awesome, out of Icy Coosa AQHA by Coosa, dam has 56 points, \$450/\$4.75 dry, \$6.75

wet mare care. Francine Gardner, Sunset; (337) 668-4255.

Hero Pudden, AQHA sorrel, by Little Solitario, by Peppy San Badger, out of Lewisburg Pudden by Pudden Head, Bob Bar Bay, AQHA point earner, placed in Ft. Worth & Houston, 15.3 hands, 1250 lbs., big framed, big boned, fast, great disp., by Lightning Parr Barr, \$450/\$4.75 dry, \$6.75 wet mare care. F. Gardner, Sunset; (337) 668-4255.

Stallion service, (2) Mammoth jacks, blk. & wh. paints, gaited jacks, 14.1 hands, \$150-\$250. Murle or Diane Cheatwood, Saline; (318) 576-3274.

SHEEP & GOATS

Reg. Boer buck, 2 yrs., \$300; reg. Boer doe, 1 ½ yrs., \$300; (2) bred percentage does, 3 yrs., \$150/1; percentage doeling, 6 mos., \$100. Luke Begnaud, Arnaudville; (337) 754-5640 or (337) 331-3048.

Boer goats, breeding age males, \$85/1; bred nannies, \$150/1; nannies, w/kids, variable prices. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

Billy goat, half Boer, 8 mos., \$25. Keith Neck, Baton Rouge; (225) 262-8051 or (225) 806-9612.

Dairy goats, ADGA reg. Lamancha bucks, good milking & show bloodlines, good disp., \$150/1-up. Wanda Barras, St. Martinville; (337) 394-6683 or (337) 519-0231.

Brush goats, all sizes, baby goats, breeding age, all tame & under fence, \$100/pr.; billies, \$35/1. E. Flanagan, Hammond; (985) 345-1498.

(15) La. native ewes, all ages, all bred, \$150/1; (5) La. native rams, nice horns, \$200/1, can del. Willie Core, Folsom; (985) 966-1647.

NPGA pygmy goats, \$150/1-up. Toby Guillory, Rosedale; www.tjs-farms.com or (225) 939-3071.

(22) head of brush goats, (15) nannies, (4) kids, (3) long horned billies, \$1500. R. Rick, Lena; (318)

(7) mixed Katahdin sheep, bred females, \$60/1; (1) large red male, reg. no papers, \$100; (2) large wh. Katahdin males, \$85/1; (2) young red & wh. males, \$40/1. Lolan Harrington, Abbeville; (337) 937-6283.

(2) Pygmy goats, 3 mo. bucks, very tame, would make good pets, \$50/1. Vincent Losavio, Torbert; http://www.geocities.com/friscofarms or (225) 625-4439.

Wanted: baby female brown pygmy goat. Donald Pousson, Iota; (337) 779-2820.

LIVESTOCK DOGS

Reg. border collie pups, red/wh. & blk./wh., parents direct imports from Wales & Scotland, good companions & working farm dogs, will demonstrate parents at work,

\$300/1. Rodney Cotton, Pineville; (318) 640-2042.

3 mo. AKC & CKC reg. English Mastiff, female, very gentle, brindle in color, has had shots, \$400. Judy Etheridge, Delta; (318) 574-4026.

NALC Catahoula pups, born 10/19/05, off cattle working stock, \$150/1. Kelvin Perron, Port Allen; (225) 648-2992.

NALC Catahoula pups, born 9/8/05, leopards, glass eyes, had all shots, \$150/1. B. Bergeron, Eunice; (337) 457-1909 or (337) 546-6630.

Jack Russell pups, reg. parents on premises, \$200 cash only. Lloyd Menard, Eunice; (337) 457-3959.

Jack-rat pups, ½ Jack Russell, ½ rat terrier, parents on premises, very cute & very smart dogs, very good w/mice & snakes, \$75/1 cash only. L. Menard, Eunice; (337) 457-3959.

NSDR miniature Australian Shepherd pups, born 9/23, parents on premises, great champs, blue merle, \$350; blk. tri, \$300. Chris Berthelot, Oak Grove; (318) 428-8548 or (318) 647-5781.

Reg. Australian shepherd pups, males, red merle, red & wh. shots & wormed, \$350-\$500. Karen Forbes, Independence; (985) 351-8053 or (985) 878-3397.

Pyrenees x Anatolian pups, raised w/goats & chickens, parents of pups are here guarding the goats & chickens, they make the wife feel safe, wormed & given first shots, born 9/3/05, \$100. David Rigsby, Converse; Drrigsby2900@wmconnect.com or (318) 796-2796.

SWINE

Feeder/weanling pigs, corn fed, on concrete, weaning to 200 lbs., \$45/1. J. B Richard, Scott; (337) 269-1755.

DOMESTIC BIRDS & EQUIPMENT

Indian ringneck female, all yellow, \$150; lovebirds, all colors, \$25-\$35/1. Debra Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-6089.

Canaries, females, \$35/1; males, \$45/1-up; also blk. breasted finches, \$8/1. Carlos Ambrogio, Houma; (985) 868-3648.

(3) proven prs., blue & gold macaws, fully feathered, \$4500/all or \$1800/pr. Charles Fontenot, Scott; (337) 984-1334.

Hf cockatiels, lots of colors to pick from, button quail, \$3/1, taking orders for Quakers & parakeets. J. L. Duplechin, Gonzales; (225) 644-5407.

Quakers, green, blue, babies & breeders, \$65/1-up. James Anderson, Bossier City; (318) 752-9891.

Diamond sparrow, fire tail, gouldians, owls, shaftail & society & zebra, my mutation, \$6/1-up. Terry Perez, Cut Off; (985) 665-3902.

Mature citron male cockatoo, \$950; rare Timor lessor sulfur crested cockatoo, can be DNA sexed, \$950. Wanda Barras, St. Martinville; (337) 394-6683 or (337) 519-0231.

Cockatiels, \$75/1; ringneck parrots, \$200/1; parakeets, \$10; lories, \$3/1. R. Parent, Denham Springs; (225) 665-2871.

Ringneck dove, normals & wh., \$7.5-\$10/1; proven mated prs., \$20-\$30/pr. Thomas Rowell, Crowley; (337) 783-5729.

Blue & gold male macaw, talks well, \$500; dbl. yellow Amazon pr., \$600/pr.; yellow-shoulder Amazon proven pr., \$1000/pr. Jack Monks, Lake Charles; (337) 855-6600.

Umbrella cockatoo, proven hen, parrotlets, blue, yellow, whites, splits, \$75-\$200/1; golden conure male, very sweet, \$800. Gloria Monks, Lake Charles; (337) 855-6600.

Doves, white, \$7/1; tangerine, \$6/1; ivory, \$6/1; ringneck & pied, \$5/1. Jim Bearb, Carencro; (337) 896-3475.

Parrots, breeder & breeder pr., Mexican red heads, \$475/pr.; breeder orange-wing male, 7 yrs., \$100; breeder Patagonian DNA male, 8 mos., \$100. Ricky LoBell, Prairieville; (225) 715-9218.

Baby Quakers, \$125/1; female nanday conure, \$125/1; male Moulaccan cockatoo, \$800/1; ringnecks, \$200/pr.; parrotlets, \$100/1. Clara Broussard, Abbeville; (337) 893-6745.

Young lutino cockatiel & green parakeet, w/large cage, \$100/all. Angie Boleyn, Breaux Bridge; (337) 332-6839.

Hf umbrella cockatoos, unweaned, closed banded, \$575. Ellis Sisk, Baker; (225) 774-7414.

Lovebirds, all colors & ages, plenty to choose from, \$25/1 or \$20/1 if (10) or more purchased. Charles Rachal, Moreauville; (318) 985-2391.

Cockatiels, breeder age & hand fed, grays, pieds, cinnamons, lutinos, albinos, white-face, pearls & most combos all seamless banded & certificate included, \$30/1-up. Samantha Ivy, Morgan City; (985) 631-3498.

Dbl. yellow headed Amazon parrot, proven breeder prs., \$1000/pr. Jan Hunt, Leesville; birdsnthings@yahoo.com or (337) 238-0084

POULTRY, FOWL & EGGS

Dickies comm. incubator, w/auto turner, \$350. L. J. Courville, Loreauville; (337) 229-6541.

Pb pr. of adult pilgrim geese. Kenneth Fontenot, Roanoke; (337) 247-2240.

Mallard ducks, eggs, babies & mature flyers, 50¢-\$10/1. Jennifer Young, Zachary; (225) 654-0039 or (225) 445-5012.

Pharaoh quails, golden Manchurian & wh., newly hatched to grown, eggs, 15¢/1; live, \$18/doz.; dressed, \$28/doz. Harry Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7176 or (337) 360-2896.

Flying mallards, \$5-\$8/1; guineas, \$8/1. Nell Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7176 or (337) 360-2896.

Jumbo Pharaoh quail, day old chicks, \$40/100; wk. old chicks, \$75/100; live, \$22/doz.; dressed, \$25/doz.; hatching eggs, \$20/100; pickling eggs, \$10/100. Danny Comeaux, Abbeville; (337) 893-4194 or (337) 658-9744.

Gray call ducks, some are laying, \$15/pr. James Brown, Opelousas; (337) 363-1824.

NPIP cert., jumbo brown quail, live, \$2/1; dressed, \$18/doz.; pickled eggs, \$6/pt.; \$11/qt.; Texas A&M quail, \$2/1; hatching eggs, \$25/100; button quail eggs, assorted, \$10/doz. Audi Hunt, Montgomery; www.ajsquaildynasty.com or (318) 646-9277.

Pb breeding pr. of blk. turkeys, tom is 4 yrs., hen is 1 ½ yrs., \$80; giant wh. breeding pr., 2 yrs., \$40. Sarah Baker, Covington; (985) 290-1593.

Wh. silkie bantams, 4-H champs, \$8-\$10/1. Charles Rachal, Moreauville; (318) 985-2391.

Wh. Muscovy ducks, \$4-\$6/1; 4 yr. blue male peacock, \$100; '05 blue peacock pr., \$100; '05 blue peacock male, \$50, all tame. B. Soileau, Mamou; (337) 468-5622.

Large Canadian geese, \$110/pr. Bobby Guillory, Ville Platte; (337) 599-2588.

Bantams, blk. cochins, wh. cochins, silver duckwings, silkies, blk. frizzle cochins & wh. frizzle cochins, \$10-\$15/pr.; chukars, \$4-\$5/1; bobwhites, \$3/1. Joy Chaney, DeQuincy; (337) 786-3530 or (337) 274-1141.

Young, tiny Serama bantams, \$35/pr. & up. Charles Savoy, Duson; (337) 984-3558.

Turkeys, royal palms & Bourbon reds, \$10-\$25; 2 mos.-1 yr. guineas, wh., pearl & pied, \$3-\$5/1; young mallard ducks, pb, \$5; young Muscovy ducks, \$5/1. Steve Delk, Hahnville; (985) 783-2404.

Jumbo Pharaoh quail, live, \$2/1; dressed, \$28/doz.; pickled eggs, \$6/pt.; eggs, \$20/100. Shirley Franks, Lena; (318) 793-8018.

Hatch-Tech incubator & hatcher, excel. cond., auto turner & water system, plus extras, holds 1400+ quail eggs, also chicken or duck eggs, \$750/both. G. R. Chauvin, Schriever; (985) 448-3360.

Bantam hens & roosters, \$3/1. Johnnie Rae Brown, Bossier City; (318) 742-0723.

Old English game bantams, BB reds, '05 hatch, birds very well cared for, \$10/1-up. Danny Broussard, Carencro; dannybroussard@bellsouth.net or (337) 896-6073.

Serama bantams, '05 hatch, all ages, 1 wk.-9 mos., \$5-\$45/1; pr. Crele Penedesencas, \$75; Rhode Island red bantams, (1) male, (5) females, \$35/all. James Jenkins, Pineville; (318) 641-0408.

Baby chicks, 4 wks., \$2/1; grown hen, \$6.5/1. Milton Allen, Denham Springs; (225) 665-7606.

Red golden pheasants, '05 hatched, \$45/pr.; pied peacock pr. w/blk. shoulder hen, both 4 yrs., \$150/pr. Darrell Arabie, Duson; (337) 849-3718.

Hens, roosters, Indian runner ducks, \$8/pr.; extra drakes, \$3/1; blk. Indian runner drakes, \$5/1. Keith Neck, Baton Rouge; (225) 262-8051 or (225) 806-9612.

Wh. Peking ducks, 3 mos., \$8/1

or \$100/15. Wade Sullivan, Castor; (318) 544-7206 or (318) 548-0793.

Wanted: chickens, pullets, young roasters, assorted ducks, guinea & turkeys, bantam hens only, must be healthy & within 50 miles of Rayne. Wilbert Leger, Rayne; (337) 334-4949.

RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

Large NZW/Calif. mixed rabbits, breeding age, does & bucks, \$8/1-up. Ellen Carpenter, Abita Springs; (985) 875-9416.

DEER & EXOTICS

5 yr. whitetail buck, \$1000. Wade Sullivan, Castor; (318) 544-7206 (318) 548-0793.

Whitetail bucks, \$400/1-up; red deer, \$800/1-up; water buffalo, \$400/1-up. Herbert LeJeune, Oakdale; (337) 639-2953.

AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

(155) Pillow crawfish cages, \$1.5/1; diesel pump, \$100. Ray Couvillion, Abbeville; (337) 893-1996 or (337) 523-3228.

Blk. bass, $60\phi/1$; coppernose bluegill, $25\phi/1$; red ear, $25\phi/1$; blk. crappie, $35\phi/1$; del. avail, discounts on large quantities. Frank Book, Shreveport; (318) 929-4251.

Get big fish fast, clean bluegreen water, summer fish kills, I bought (2) maintenance free windmill aerators, (1) for sale, \$1075. Larry Miller, Iota; (337) 779-2456.

Hydraulic crawfish boat, w/traps, plus extra mechanical parts, \$5500. Glen Higdon, Port Barre; (337) 585-2050 or (337) 224-1698.

Blue catfish, $25\phi/1$; channel catfish, $20\phi/1$; coppernose bluegill, $20\phi/1$; hybrid bluegill, $25\phi/1$; chinquapin, $25\phi/1$; blk.crappie, $30\phi/1$; bass, $50\phi/1$, del. avail. David Lowe, Minden; (318) 377-1525.

BEES/HONEY

Honey, produced in Allen parish, 3 lb. jar, \$5/1; 12 lb. jar, \$15/1. Edric Turner, Pitkin; (318) 634-5595.

FARM SERVICES

Dog training, obedience, gun dog & hunt tests. Ben Young, Zachary; www.y-farms.com or (225) 603-8828.

Land clearing, dirt work, ponds, house pads, forestry construction. Jeff Nelson, Ashland; (318) 544-9000

Livestock hauling, 32' trailer, hay hauling, sq. or rd., will load &

unload, \$2/mile, loaded. R. Murphy, Prairieville; (225) 806-9660.

Qualified equine appraiser #03779, American Society of Equine Appraisers, reasonable rates. Sarina Lirette, Bourg; twofeatherfarms.@hotmail.com or (985) 665-0464.

Will graze stockers for winter '05-'06, call for details. Harvey Gonsoulin, New Iberia; (337) 229-9058.

Asphalt, parking lots, drives, subdivisions, also metal building sales & erection. Brent Dauzat, Effie; (318) 201-2349.

RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

Washington Parish, 20 acres near Franklinton, driveway, pond, fenced open pastureland, paved road on 2 sides, \$4950/acre. G. Oestriecher, Lacombe; (985) 882-6522 or (985) 882-7598.

SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

Imported carved fernwood monkeys, 3' tall, \$250/1; fernwood plant totem poles, 24", \$2; 12", 75¢/1; fernwood blocks, 20"x7½"x7½", \$48/1, call first. Jimmy Mullet, Covington; (985) 892-5132.

Pine Straw, machine baled, clean, del. Available, \$4/1. Ronald Gremillion, Zachary; (225) 654-7650

Birdhouse & dipper gourd, cushaw green stripe, 30-seed packet, \$1.5/pkt. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Border grass, liriope, giant green silver & monkey, \$2/1. Sharkey Chaney, Gonzales; (225) 673-3884.

Wanted: live vetiver plants. Frank Smith, Lecompte; (318) 445-3626.

TREES & FRUITING VINES

Fig trees, 2 yrs., 2-gal., \$9.50/1, 20 varieties, SASE for list, will ship. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188

Elliott pecan, 5', 6-gal., grafted, \$25 at place. James Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Jelly palms, by size, \$8-\$15/1; Southern magnolia, 5', \$15; windmill palms, 1-gal., \$5/1 or 3-gal., \$12; Celeste & brown Turkish fig trees, \$8/1; monkey grass, 3 qt. tufts, \$1/1; pygmy date palms, 3-gal., \$12/1. James Stelly, Eunice; (337) 457-4528.

Louisiana live oaks, good stock, 1-gal., 2'-3', \$3/1; 4-gal., 5'-6', \$10/4. A. M. Gray, III, Patterson; (985) 395-5193 or (985) 518-4711.

Fancy red bush cherry, \$6/1; purple vitex bush, \$10/1; wh. & yellow old-time peach, \$10/1; large purple pomegranate, \$10/1; purple L.S.U. fig, \$20/1. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA, 70601; (337) 478-7075.

HAY & GRAIN

(40) 5x5 rd. bales Bermuda mixed Bahia, will load, \$20/1. E. J. Rabalais, Cottonport; (318) 964-2924

Alicia/Bahia/Coastal/Tifton-44/Johnsongrass, all mixed hay, 4x5 rd. bales, \$32/1. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

Bahia rd. bales, 4x5, \$18/1. Roy Matherne, Houma; (985) 851-7692.

2005 Bahia 4x5 rd. bales, good quality, cured w/o rain, \$25/1 or \$20/1 if (10) or more purchased. Homer Dutsch, Bush; (985) 807-4046.

Excel. quality horse hay, fert., Tiften 85 Bermuda, \$4/1. Eugene Loftin, DeRidder; (337) 463-9936.

Bahia hay, 6x5 rd. bales, in field, \$20/1; in barn, \$25/1. Mike Patanella, Independence; (985) 878-9765 or (985) 687-5030.

Bahia sq. bales, fert. & stored in barn, \$3/1 or \$140/50 bales. Ronald Cole, Jr., Basile; (337) 457-0665 or (337) 580-1685.

4x5 ½ **rd.** bales Bahia grass, cured w/o rain, del. avail., \$25/1. Duane Wilson, Slaughter; (225) 683-3044 or (225) 978-5699.

Alicia, horse quality, sq. bales, you load, \$3.75-\$4/1; Bahia, \$3.25-\$3/1; 5x5 rd. bales, we load, Alicia, \$38-\$40/1; Bahia, \$23-\$30. David Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4334.

4x5 rolls of Bahia, heavy fert., in barn, no weeds, horse quality, del. avail., \$35/1; same hay, outside, \$30/1. Joe Pieri, Folsom; (985) 796-9538.

Rd. & sq. bales, (150) rolls of rye grass & Bahia grass, \$25/1, will load; (1000) sq. bales, same hay, \$3/1, help load. William Hatcher, Kentwood; (985) 229-8361.

2005 Bahia 4x5 rd. bales, excel. cow hay, in barn, del. avail., \$25/1. W. B. Waldrop, Kinder; (337) 639-3037.

(**480**) rolls 4x5 hay, well cured, w/o rain, will load, no del., \$18/1. A. Strother, St. Landry; (318) 838-2209.

Premium quality Alicia Bermuda grass horse hay, super clean, fert. to soil test, large tight bales, in barn, del. avail., \$4/1; pine wood shavings in 10 cu./ft. bags, \$5/1. Roy Varnado, Jr., Iota; (337) 824-3887.

Cartet grass, lime, fert., sq. bales, in barn, \$2.75/1; 5x4 bales, \$15/1. Gary Guy, Zachary; (225) 654-6491.

4x5 rd. bales, will load, \$20/1; in field, under shed, \$25/1. Robert Lucien, Amite; (985) 748-7240.

Good quality fert. Bahia, cut this year, 4x4 bales, \$14/1; 4x5 bales, \$18/1. Ramond Melancon, St. Martinville; (337) 394-5878 or (337) 519-6378.

2005 Bahia rd. bales, 5x6, fert., cured w/o rain, \$30/1-\$35/1, top price is covered hay. James Casanova, Amite; (985) 517-0334 or (985) 748-7363.

2005 high quality Alicia/Bahia mix sq. bales, del. avail., \$3/1. Sarina Lirette, Bourg; (985) 665-0464.

2005 fert. Jiggs Bermuda sq. bales, in barn, \$3.95/1; behind baler, \$3.45. Keith Cahanin, Rayne; (337) 257-2469 or (337) 873-6607.

High quality Bermuda racehorse hay, sq. bales, \$3-\$4/1; rd. bales, \$20-\$45/1; cow hay, \$20-\$40/1, Milton area. Joe Duhon, Lafayette; (337) 856-4266 or (337) 230-7273.

Alicia hay, horse quality, freshly cut, in barn, \$4/1. Clay Pierre, Thibodaux; (985) 447-6100.

Wanted: good quality rd. bales, within 60 miles of Lafayette area, will pay fair price, del. needed, but not required, shedded or tarped hay preferred. Stuart Gardner, Sunset; (337) 668-4255.



8N Ford trac., good cond., everything works well & runs well, \$2500. Curtis McDaniel, Oakdale; (318) 335-0106.

10' Woods bush hog, \$2000; 14' Bush Hog brand #3368, \$3500. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

Super "A" Farmall trac., w/tools, for garden, good cond., \$1600; 12' Amco plow, heavyduty, \$1000. A. R. Bordelon, Ville Platte; (337) 351-1129.

Minneapolis-Moline, model G-1000, \$4000; 7' Woods bush hog, w/3 pt. hookup, drag-type, \$1200; Ford 3000 diesel trac., \$5000; 5' bush hog, \$500; 5' grader blade, \$200. F. Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

Ford 3600, w/new Rhino loader, 40 PTO hp, 8 spds., \$8500; Int. 574, w/Bush Hog loader, 52 PTO hp, 8 spds., \$7900; Komatsu miniexcavator, low hours, \$7900. J. Guillot, Hessmer; (318) 563-4776.

7020 Allis Chalmers trac., 130 hp, in good field cond., has 540 PTO, 2 sets hydraulic plugs, \$4100, will trade for 15'-20' bush hog, 3-6 yr. red crossbred cows or good hay. Stuart Gardner, Sunset; (337) 668-4255.

5' Bush Hog shredder, \$500. Donald Manuel, Ville Platte; (337) 363-2546.

NH rd. baler, field ready, \$1500; air blast orchard sprayer, good cond., suitable for peaches or

Christmas trees, \$995. P. Willhite, Downsville; (318) 982-5217.

1-row Pixall bean picker, works great, picks pintos, string beans, quick pick peas & butter beans, \$7500 obo. Anthony Yakaboski, Farmerville; (318) 548-9597.

Bionic-type grader blades, new 5', \$575; 6', \$660; 7', \$784; 7' commercial, \$1250. Mike Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

Hydrostat trac., w/Christmas tree trimmer attachment, ready to work, one-man operation, takes the load off your back, \$2995. A. Willhite, Downsville; (318) 982-5217.

Ford 3600 diesel trac., 40 PTO hp, 8 spds., \$4900; Yanmar, 27 hp diesel trac., 4 wd, 3 cyl., low hrs., \$4900; JD 2020 diesel trac., 8 spds., p/s, 54 PTO hp, \$4200. D. Barrere, Moreauville; (318) 997-2581.

Howse 20" single set row builder, used twice, \$750 obo. A. France, Kentwood; (985) 747-2296

Troy-bilt trailer blazer sickle bar mower, 34/38 inches, 4 hp Briggs & Stratton, quiet, easy start engine, great cond., rarely used, \$750. Johnny Spiers, Walker; (225) 938-5301

Case stationary engine, 540 PTO, LPG, 50 hp, \$1500. John Boudreaux, Abbeville; (337) 893-6743.

JD model 60, 3 point hitch, PTO, power steering, \$3250; Farmall 400, 55 hp, '02, 16' heavy pipe trailer, \$1600. Willie Hurst, Greensburg; (985) 514-9364.

JD 4430, dual wheels, 6968 hrs., runs well, \$7000. Louis Bernard, Abbeville; (337) 893-0100.

Fertilizer spreader, TSC 500 model, like new, only used 3 times, \$295. Larry Verret, Arnaudville; (337) 667-6756.

W&A 8-row hipper, w/Orthman row markers, \$2600; Taylorway, 8-row cult., w/fenders, \$1500; Bridger planter 8-row w/row markers, \$1200. Bobby Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

(2) 600-bushel grain tanks, w/unloading augers, \$1200; ditching machine Ditch Witch, R-40, w/new engine boring unit, drill pipe, augers & trailer, \$14,500; Mayrath PTO driven grain auger, 6"x35", \$1200. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

JD 4620 trac., 2-post canopy, duals, quick hitch, Syncro-Range trans., good trac., \$8500; IH 480 disc, 21' manual fold, \$1800. David Charrier, Monterey; (318) 386-7238 or (318) 452-3343.

JD '95 combine, needs little repair, excel. motor, old Chevrolet truck, w/500 bu. capacity, steel grain body, \$2000/both. Roy Mitchell, Amite; (985) 748-8665.

41 Rayne Plane land leveler, excel. cond., \$7000. Lloyd Lemoine, Plaucheville; (318) 922-3465.

1-row riding digger, excel. cond., \$4000; 2-row potato planter, \$1500 nego. Daniel Laborde, Mansura; (318) 964-2902.

IHC F-12 power unit, w/parts engine, \$200; (3) JD power units, \$200/1-up; Waukesha power unit, \$300. Paul Miller, Denham Springs; (225) 664-3777.

12 blade drag-type disc, adjustable, \$175. Grover

O'Banion, Ponchatoula; (504) 812-

256 NH fluffer rake combo, good running cond., \$800. Clay Pierre, Thibodaux; (985) 447-6100

55 hp trac., front-end loader, 3 pt. & PTO, \$9000; 45 hp trac., 3 pt. & PTO, \$7500, both ready for work. M. Nunez, Baton Rouge; (225) 892-5938.

JD 4630 trac., 150 hp, 1977 model, 20.8x38 dual wheels, quad range, w/cab & front weights, good cond., \$10,000. Al Cormier, Ragley; (337) 725-6104.

Drott excavator, w/backhoe arm, \$6000; 1 set of row hippers, \$300. Rimes LaBorde, Jr, Westwego; (504) 431-8074 or (504) 430-4642.

Belarus 3-50 trac., \$3500; 1/4 yard dirt scoop, \$125. Lurry LaBorde, Mansura; (318) 563-4931 or (318) 359-9893.

6' belly mower, off L2850 Kubota trac., \$200; 1000-gal. fuel tank, no skids, \$200. Bill Dixon, Calcasieu; (318) 659-3296.

Kubota trac., 34 hp, 1900 hrs., great cond., \$6500. Doug Cradeur, Iowa; (337) 582-5510.

Allis Chalmers forklift, 4000 lbs., model ACC 40 BL PS, 1807 hrs., LP gas, runs well, \$1800. Gary Canoe, Bentley; (318) 899-5972

Big B 5' bush hog, ready to work, \$300 or trade for a 4' bush hog. Starks Johnson, Lake Charles; (337) 598-2912.

Woods/Gill heavy-duty rollover R series box scraper, rolls from cutting edges to teeth, 65" wide, 30-60 hp, \$500. Doug Dorhauer, Denham Springs; (225) 665-2788.

Cat dozer, D3 model 27 y, runs good, \$16,000. Bubba Caraway, Iowa; (337) 224-8420 or (337) 588-4269.

3'x7' drag harrow, built on 2 7/8" pipe frame, on 3 pt. hitch, 5" teeth on bottom, good for pens, arenas & dirt work, \$250. Larry Duhon, Lafayette; (337) 652-6200.

Pasture dream planter, \$3500; mold poison killer, \$200; Bermuda King sprig harvester, \$6800; Stephens air compressor watermelon planter, \$4850; 6-row cult., \$250; Ford 5000, \$42,292; 1210 David Brown, \$42,292; 5610S; NH, \$42,292; Ford 4000, \$42,292; 441 Log Hog, \$42,292; Ford TW-10, \$48,505. L. M. Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9955 or (318) 471-9275.

Cadet & Lowes riding mower & special tiller, \$6539/all; Vermeer 554XL baler, \$27,141; 8-wheel Sitrex hay rake, \$6099; 7'2" Marangon MD 245 hay mower, \$18,840; Ford 241, 21' disc, \$33,681; 18' bush hog disc w/drag, \$31,501; 16' bush hog, \$16,670; 6' bush hog, \$4682; 5' disc, \$1630; 6' grading blade, \$6862. W. Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9955 or (318) 471-9275.

1969 Ford 5000 w/front loader, gas engine, new clutch, battery, carburetor, tank, instrument cluster, paint, etc., good cond., \$8750. Bud Pylant, Shreveport; (318) 938-1175.

JD 4640, 160 hp, dual wheels, cab/air, power shift, quick hitch, complete overhaul on engine; (2)

150-gal. poly tanks, w/racks & hyd. pump, \$14,000; 400-bushel Caldwell grain cart, \$1200; 100-bushel Rayne Plane grain cart, \$500; Int. 854 5-row corn header, \$1000. Dale Moreau, Prairieville; (225) 673-9797.

JD 6-row 7100 plateless planters, w/finger pickups, insecticide boxes, row cleaners, spray rig, \$2000; 2" water pump, w/Briggs engine, hoses included, \$200; 6-row spray rig, \$200; 12-row spray rig, \$500. D. Moreau, Prairieville; (225) 673-9797.

JD diesel model 6-359, turbo skid-mount, 163 hp power unit, very clean, safety kill switches, low hrs., many extras, \$6000. J. G. Pousson, Iota; (337) 779-3337.

Yellow & wh. Cub, \$2100, choice of belly mower or plow tools, red Cub w/pan plow, \$800; 5' bush hog, \$400. Skeet Cooper, Jena; (318) 992-2206.

Yellow & wh. Cub, w/plow tools or belly mower, \$1800; 4' bush hog, \$250; extra Cub parts & plow tools avail. J. Cooper, Jena; (318) 992-2206.

7' Sidewinder bush hog, pull-type, tire driven, very good shape, \$950 or trade. Fred Lucky, Bossier City; (318) 747-1873.

4' pull-type shredder, field ready, \$275; 7 ½' hp, 3 phase elec. motor, like new, \$50; (8) trailer house axles, some w/brakes, used 1 time, \$600. Harry Miller, Glenmora; (318) 748-4569 or (318) 623-4558.

Farmall Cub, yellow & white, looks & runs well, \$1650; 6' flail mower, good cond., \$450; 7' MF sickle mower, 3 pt. hitch, \$200. H. Miller, Glenmora; (318) 748-4569 or (318) 623-4558.

2 cyl., 20 hp Yanmar trac., \$1800. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-5524.

New Jima 28 hp, 4x4, w/new front-end loader, w/top, \$9,000. Dustin Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240.

Estate 180 trac., w/finish mower & 14' trailer, \$3000 obo. Sue Ebarb, Zwolle; (318) 645-6040.

(2) 29x12.00-15 on universal rims for front, \$200. Alice Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-

JD 410 rd. baler, \$2000. Billy Bidstrup, Carencro; (337) 896-6497.

Antique trac., 1938-40 MF, 30 hp, completely rebuilt, starts & runs great, could use paint, \$2750, can del. Skip Russell, Ruston; (318) 255-5050.

JD 535 rd. baler, w/bale trak monitor, 5x6 bales, shedded, excel. cond., \$12,000. Carroll Trahan, Lafayette; (337) 984-6267.

Kioti 5' finishing mower, rear discharge, extra blades, 1 yr., don't need, \$1150. Doug Walker, Greensburg; (225) 222-3579.

JD T650, 2 cyl., turf tires & wheels, \$350. Margaret Sisson, Grayson; (318) 649-7684.

Bush hog RTS40-04 tiller, like new, used maybe 6 times, \$1466. M. Sisson, Grayson; (318) 649-7684.

3523 MF front wheel assist Farm Hand SL 945 loader, w/bucket, 24 hrs., a/c, \$20,000. Ralph Robinson, Ida; (318) 284-3530.

(2) JD 4850 trac., w/cab, air, w/duals or w/o duals, \$14,000/1; '99 & '98 7810 MFWD trac., w/cab & air, \$42,000 & \$40,000; '98 7410 hi-crop MFWD hi-crop trac. w/cab & air, \$32,500; (3) JD 7400 MFWD hi-crop trac., w/cab & air, \$20,000/1. Kyle Lemoine, Moreauville; (318) 985-2101.

(2) JD 4630 trac., 4 posts, \$6000; JD 4840 trac., w/cab, air & duals, \$8500; IH 2055 4-row cotton picker, w/mud hog, \$30,000; (2) Cameco Billet sugarcane harvesters, \$28,000/1; (4) Billet sugarcane field carts, \$3000/1; (3) tandem Billet sugarcane field carts, \$1000/1; (2) Billet sugarcane field carts, \$2000/1. K. Lemoine, Moreauville; (318) 985-2101.

Wanted: sheet metal for '62 404 IH row crop, skirt for under hood, cowl for over radiator, grill, 2 side panels. Dow Seale, Deville; (318) 466-9814.

Wanted: old iron wheel tracs., the kind w/iron cleats for grips, leave message. Brian Fournet, Breaux Bridge; (337) 237-5423.

Wanted: 1-row planter & fertilizer. Benny Sepulvado, Zwolle; (318) 645-4114.

Wanted: old JD 450 dozer, for parts, in any cond. Kevin Murphy, Folsom; (985) 796-9681.

Wanted: 14-9-24 rear trac. tire, in useable cond., 18-4-34 tire, tube & wheel for WW-9 IHC trac., in useable cond. Paul Miller, Denham Springs; (225) 664-3777.

Wanted: forklift attachment for Case loader backhoe. Bob McCormick, Folsom; (985) 796-1936.

Wanted: PTO tiller, 36"-48", for 30 hp trac, in good cond. Jackie Miller, Iota; (337) 779-2456.

Wanted: engine block, #R26070, for 4010 JD or a complete 6 cyl. diesel motor for a 4010 or 4020 trac., rear tires, 18.5x34, w/or w/o rims. Dave Whitaker, Sieper; (318) 793-2765.

Wanted: old trac.-type cane harvester & sugarcane grapple, to fit trackhoe. B. Dauzat, Effie; (318) 201-2349 or (318) 253-9242.

Wanted: '81 Ford F-150 4 wd, 351-V8 pickup truck trac., that runs or 4 wheeler. J. Guillot, Hessmer; (318) 563-4776.

Wanted: used tracs., any cond. Jack Mitchell, Natchitoches; (318) 472-6413.

Wanted: Int. TD-7 or TD-8 dozer. Fred Lucky, Bossier City; (318) 747-1873.



1995 Chevy Kodiak, 14 yard dump truck, Cat engine, 8 spd., 488 rears, \$19,500; '90 Int. DT 466 w/15 yard dump bed, 13 spd., \$16,500. John Fell, Scott; (337) 873-6870.

(4) 2003 Chevrolet Silverado truck tires & rims w/6 holes, Goodyear P275/75R16 tires in good shape, \$250. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-

0240.

1996 GMC 4-door dually, excel. shape, new motor, w/10,000 miles, left on warranty, new brakes & exhaust system, \$7000. Mike Martin, Lake Charles; (337) 855-9396.

1992 Int. school bus, excel. shape, turbo engine, low milage, motor could be used for soybean or cane truck, \$2500. Arsane or Joe Gautro, Plaucheville; (318) 922-3140.

1985 Ford F-350, 1-ton truck, steel flat bed, good body, standard trans., needs motor, \$500. Raymond Burleigh, Opelousas; (337) 942-7005.

2001 F-150 4x4, white, brand new tires, V8, 170,000 miles, \$8500 nego. James Wingate, Church Point; (337) 230-7070.

1997 Ford F-250 dually, diesel, extended cab, power steering, automatic, air cond., 108,000 miles, very good cond., \$11,000. Aaron Oglesby, Homer; (318) 927-0085.

Steel truck body, 8'x22', w/steel roller on back, \$1000; steel body 94"x15', \$500. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

1997 Oldsmobile Acheiva, good cond., \$3500. Ronnie or Linda Sepulvado, Zwolle; (318) 645-2435.

1996 Int. truck model 4900 D 7466E, 250 hp, 231,000 miles, w/42' step down trailer, w/32' well, 5' dove tail & ramps, tires, 90% to new, \$15,000. Joseph Musick, Boyce; (318) 561-2323 or (318) 224-2346.

(4) LT 265/70R17E, all terrain tires, new, \$75/1. Carroll Trahan, Lafayette; (337) 984-6267.

Dodge Ram van 1500, V6, power brakes, power steering, a/c, am/fm, new paint, new tires, handicapped access, \$20,000. Larry Common, Gretna; (504) 366-7951 or (504) 427-4256.



38' Trailmobile grain trailers, both in good cond., \$3500 & \$2800; Case 390, good cond., w/saddle chem. tanks, 100-gal., fiberglass duals, 20.8-38, 85% rubber, cab & air, \$6200. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland; (225) 405-6965 or (225) 978-3949.

20' tandem axle, tandem wheel, gooseneck trailer, new floor, \$1650. Brian Knight, Lena; after 3 p.m. (318) 793-4574.

1988 48' Thermo King Reefer, good cond., good tires, \$4995. P. Willhite, Downsville; (318) 982-5217.

(35) Cotton trailers, 8'-10' wide, 24'-40' long, for hay trailers or storing crawfish traps, good to excel. cond., del. avail., \$500-\$1450. T. L. Enright, Sr., Sicily Island; (318) 389-5395.

Trailer for storage, 8'x30', w/2 doors, \$1000. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

21' Donahue equip. trailer, new tires, rims, bearings, floor jack & paint, just like new, \$1850. Chuck Hathorn, Alexandria; (318) 443-9795.

Red '02 Circle W horse trailer, 6'x10', w/removable partition, \$2500. Dominick Costanza, Kenner; (504) 251-2123.

16' gooseneck cattle trailer, \$1600. B. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

1999 Hibuilt steel 30 yard dump trailer, 24', 3 axles, elec. tarp, \$19,500; '78 Palmer demo dump trailer, 22', \$3500. John Fell, Scott; (337) 873-6870.

1985 dump trailer, 34', CMC, tri-axle, \$14,500; '91 Int. 4700 digger Dereck truck, \$7500; '80 Int. 14 yard dump truck, \$10,500. B. Dauzat, Effie; (318) 201-2349.

Trac. insert to convert 16' trailer to cattle trailer, well built, \$400. G. Franklin, Covington; (985) 893-4821 or (985) 373-4169.

6'x32' cattle trailer, 5 yrs., sand blasted, painted, w/under coating, good tires & top, \$4500. William Hatcher, Kentwood; (985) 229-8361.

Like new 6'x20' neck over cattle trailer, bar top, red in color, new used, \$5260. W. Hatcher, Kentwood; (985) 229-8361.

1998 Honda 450 ES, w/rear basket, 217 hrs., excel. cond., like new '02 Honda Recon ES, w/front basket, less than 20 hrs., 4-wheeler trailer, w/side & rear loading ramps, 6 ½', 12' bed, w/spare tire, \$7995 obo. Bob Bourg, Theriot; (985) 851-2997.

2-horse Miley horse trailer, w/dressing room, '76, kept under shed, good tires, many extras, \$1800. Leigh Hughes, St. Francisville; (225) 634-5091 or (225) 721-0944.

Doctor's buggy, like new cond., 1 upholstered seat, convertible top, \$1500. E. L. Moss, Provencal; (318) 472-8503.

1988 2-horse Sun Downer trailer, \$800; '85 2-horse Linc trailer LS, tall. walking horse trailer, \$750; '85 Allegro motor home, \$8500. Murle or Diane Cheatwood, Saline; (318) 576-3274.



16" Simco brand Western saddle, large stirrups, excel. shape, tack included, \$350; 20" Westerm saddle, new, used 3 times, tack included, \$350. La Juan Johnson, Marksville; (318) 253-8981.

16'x9' cattle guard, w/wings, heavy-duty, located in Lake St. John, \$500. Jeff Person, Lafayette; (337) 277-6352.

Generators, new in the box, ac/dc, Honda made engine, \$300; Suzuki Samuri, 4 wd, good cond., \$3000. Jerome Hammons, Many; (318) 256-2420.

Oster elec. comm. pipe threader & cutter, in good cond., \$850. Mike Dupuy, Marksville; (318) 253-6790.

3 pt. PTO post-hole auger, 9" bit, good cond., \$300. Ben Baggett, Mittie; (337) 639-2086.

14' steel flatbed, w/removable sides & headache rack, fits dual wheel, single axle truck, \$450. Scotty Dauzat, Marksville; (318) 715-0710.

Okra cutters, hand operated, \$130/1; larger model, \$160/1. Franklin Courvelle, Opelousas; (337) 407-0188.

Troy Bilt, 8 hp, rear tine tiller, like new cond., \$900 cash. James Burleigh, Opelousas; (337) 942-9343.

(4) 28'x80' nursery shade house frames, all new, never assembled, 1 bolt together, other purlin clamp, \$1500/1 or \$5400/all, firm. Vernon Atkinson, Glenmora; (318) 748-8396 or (318) 623-0068.

Blk. iron pipe, sch. 40, 1", 55¢/ft.; sch. 40, 2", \$1.30/ft.; sch. 10, 3", \$1.40/ft.; 2 3/8" drill stem, \$25/1; 2 7/8" drill stem, \$30/1; 6" pipe, \$4/ft. E. H. Welch, Kentwood; (985) 229-8590.

25 kw industrial generator, 6 cyl. propane engine, less than 400 hrs., very good cond., \$3000. Debra Beech, Franklinton; (985) 839-3546.

18" Powermatic wood planer, heavy, industrial model, 10 hp, Baldor motor, very good cond., \$4000. Philip Beech, Franklinton; (985) 839-3546.

2004 Rancher's Pride cattle feeder, 12', 4-ton, excel. cond., \$2400; 10-ton feed bin, w/elec. auger, \$650; hay spear for frontend loader, \$275. Calvin Johnson, Hineston; (318) 793-5239 or (318) 481-7530.

12 kw PTO generator, 15 kw surge, mounted on 2-wheel trailer, w/shaft & pige tail plug, like new cond., never used, \$1500. John Lee, Independence; (985) 878-6148.

8'x20' cooler, under shed, easy move, 220 volts, runs & in good shape, \$1800. William Hatcher, Kentwood; (985) 229-8361.

Old squeeze chute, side & front turn out gate, head catch & squeeze, \$300. Lawrence Fontenot, Reeves; (337) 666-2798.

700 A+ elec. fence posts, wire, insulators, \$2500. Ralph Robinson, Ida; (318) 284-3530.

Galv. corral panels, del. avail., 5'x10', \$45/1 or \$1050/25; 5'x12' heavy-duty, \$65/1 or \$1550/25; 6'x12' extra heavy-duty, \$75/1 or \$1800/25; 100'x200' arena, w/10' gate, \$2650. Billy Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610.

Galv. rd. pens, 5' tall, all include 4' bow gate, del. avail, 50', \$750; 60', \$850; 6' tall, w/6' gate, \$1080. Carl Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610.

Water well, used for rice, 8" exhaust, 10" intake, Johnson R/angle gear drive, 5 yrs., \$8000. G. W. Breaux, Church Point; (337) 962-0850.

Metal "T" posts, 6 ½', never used, \$2/1; wood post, treated, used, 4x6 "T" posts, 6', \$1/1; metal "T" posts, 6½', used, you remove, 75¢/1. Vincent Fontana, Independence; (985) 878-3771.

4" heavy wall pipe, 10'-12' long, \$1.5/ft.; 110 volt shallow-

well water pump, motor & tank for WW Grainger, never used, \$200. Keith Matte, Branch; (337) 296-6798.

Used metal roofing, (69) pieces, 8' alum. "V" crimped, (31) pieces, 8' galv. & corrugated, (21) pieces, 10' galv. & corrugated, (42) pieces, 37' galv. "V" crimped, 50¢/ft. Dave Whitaker, Sieper; (318) 793-2765.

8'x12' cooler, \$500; farrowing crates, \$60/1-up; nursery pens, \$40/1-up; overhead mix mill, 4 partition, 40-ton grain bin, \$500. Quention McConnell, St. Joseph; (318) 766-4534.

15" sq. cut barrel saddle, very good cond., basket weave, w/roughout fenders, silver conchos, \$325. V. Ernst, Ponchatoula; (985) 386-8637.

New galv. panels, w/mud boots, all include 4' bow gate, 7 bars, 16 gauge, 40' rd. pen, \$730; 50', \$895; 60', \$1115. Michael Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

5000 watt gas generator, Briggs 10 hp engine, 12 hr. fuel, \$450; Buick LeSabre, '87, 97,000 miles, \$2495, both in good cond. Henry Scholer, Melville; (337) 623-5275

All kinds of blacksmith tools for sale, power hammer \$2500; forge, \$300; misc tools, \$100/1-up; blacksmith coal, \$25/100 lb. sack. Buddy Leonard, Covington; (985) 892-1137 or (985) 264-4374.

Ashley C60D wood burning heater, has cast iron grating, excel. shape, \$350; (20) pieces of glass shelving, 16"x48"x5/16", \$3.5/1, other sizes avail. D. Whitaker, Sieper; (318) 793-2765.

Galv. tubing, 1 ½"x3", 13 gauge, 95¢/ft.; 2"x3", 14 gauge, \$1.15/ft.; 2"x2", 14 gauge, 95¢/ft.; 2"x2", 12 gauge, \$1/ft.; 1 ½"x1½"; unistrut, 14 gauge, 50¢/ft.; 1½"x 1½" unistrut, 12 gauge, 62¢/ft. Colton Terrell, Kentwood; (985) 514-0722.

10" PVC sch. 40 pipe, \$2.5/ft. L. J. Courville, Loreauville; (337)

229-6541.

Corriente roping saddle, roughout & basket weave, cheyne role, ridden very little, \$600. Lawrence Fontenot, Reeves; (337) 666-2225.

Wanted: old gristmill or old millstones, any size. Richard Eaves, Demopolis, AL; raleaves@email.com or (334) 289-8906.

Wanted: Bobcat welder, 10 kw or 12 kw, in good cond. Steven Richard, Welsh; (337) 734-3359.

Wanted: 500-gal. butane tank, \$500 or less. V. Bertrand, Welsh; (337) 734-3886.

Wanted: used "T" posts, tin, also forklift bars to fit on the front-end loader of a 30 hp tractor. Randy Miller, Eunice; (337) 546-6537.



Please include a statement along with your ad indicating how the item has been or can be used on a farm.

Dona Blanca House of Cheese, located in St. Rose, is open for business, we offer fresh, unripened cheeses such as Creole cream cheese, fresh farmer's cheese (queso fresco), mozzarella, queso ranchero and much more, come see us at the Crescent City Farmer's Market, Uptown Square and the German Coast Farmer's Market in St. Charles Parish. Kathia Duran, St. Rose; (504) 472-6022.

All natural goat milk soap, very good for your skin, no petroleum or artificial ingredients, various scents, \$4/1. Melanie Blackmer, Lake Charles; www.hometown.aol.com/pdavenp913 or (337) 478-2208.

7' barbecue pit on wheels, w/2

doors & 4 slide-out trays, \$1500. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

Wanted: old sugar or syrup kettles, any size. Steven, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-8739 or (225) 938-9366.

Wanted: lumber, truckload quantities of boards to build mats, any good hardwood, full cut 2"x7 3/4" in 8', 14' & 16' lengths, 50,000 to 100,000 board feet/month. Fred Davies, Lake Charles; (337) 433-7295.

Wanted: vendors for Saturday, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m., Charlestown Market, 1001 Ryan St., Lake Charles, produce, homemade food items, baked goods, candies, homemade crafts, honey, eggs, nuts, plants, etc., every Saturday. Sandra Bullock, Westlake; (337) 436-0579.

Wanted: vendors for Saturday morning St. Martinville Creole Farmers' Market, homemade food items, food & fresh from the farm products, crafts welcome, no vendor fee. Wanda Barras, St. Martinville; (337) 394-6683 or (337) 519-0231.

Notice... This could be your last issue!

Your Market Bulletin may soon be expiring. Check your expiration date, which is printed on your mailing label on page 12. Send renewal, with current mailing label, 6-8 weeks before expiration to assure continuous delivery of your Market Bulletin. Renewal form can be found on page 11.

Year-to-date rainfall data

Location	Year To Date	Norm	Location	Year To Date	Norm
	Northwest		LSU-Alexandria	34.22	47.54
LSU- Bossier City	31.00	42.00	Extreme/Average	40.53	49.38
Minden	29.84	44.75		East-Central	
Mooringsport	29.59	38.31	Bogalusa	35.68	53.71
Extreme/Average	30.30	42.99	LSU Baton Rouge	39.00	51.36
	North-Central		LSU-Clinton	40.58	52.48
LSU-Calhoun	33.26	45.29	LSU-Hammond	34.50	53.72
Homer/Hill Farm	36.25	45.29	Slidell	58.96	52.71
ULM-Monroe	29.78	46.86	Extreme/Average	39.00	53.69
Winnfield	38.08	48.02		Southwest	
Extreme/Average	34.34	46.23	DeRidder	31.11	49.31
	Northeast		Jennings	42.63	50.01
Lake Providence	35.74	47.80	LSU-Crowley	43.64	49.90
LSU-St. Joseph	36.91	45.69	Extreme/Average	43.64	50.84
LSU-Winnsboro	38.20	45.47		South-Central	
Tallulah	35.07	47.20	Donaldsonville	42.61	52.18
Extreme/Average	36.95	46.52	LSU-Jeanerette	48.19	52.87
	West-Central		Morgan City	36.24	55.33
Leesville	31.32	46.26	Extreme/Average	45.40	53.33
LSU-Rosepine	30.24	47.66		Southeast	
Natchitoches	30.46	44.25	Galliano	63.51	56.65
Extreme/Average	30.46	45.38	Houma	60.00	54.61
	Central		NO Audubon Park	53.88	53.94
Alexandria	24.86	49.12	Reserve	50.81	55.20
Brusly	43.71	52.89	Extreme/Average	N/A	54.58
Bunkie	43.67	49.83	State Averages	38.14	48.76



Sweet treats for the holidays

some of these recipes are from the annual LDAF State Fair Cookbook

Pecan Dainties

1 egg white dash salt

1 cup light brown sugar 1 ½ cups pecan halves

Beat egg whites until stiff peaks form, add half of the sugar & beat well, add remaining sugar and salt. Fold nuts into mixture and drop onto ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 300 degrees for 10 minutes or until done. Remove from pan immediately, store in sealed container.

> Submitted for 2005 cookbook by Roger Alford (father of Nikki Alford), Office of Agro-Consumer Services/Haughton

Spiced Christmas Cookies

Part I

4 cups flour

1 1/2 tsps. baking powder

1 1/4 cups sugar

1 tsp.. vanilla extract

1/2 tsp. allspice

1/2 tsp. cloves, ground

1 1/2 tsps. cinnamon

2 eggs

2 sticks butter

1/2 cup almonds (ground)

1/2 tsp. almond extract

1 cup almonds (thinly sliced)

Spiced Christmas Cookies

Part II

Place flour on wax paper. Sprinkle allspice, cloves, cinnamon and baking powder over flour and mix well. Make a well and drop in eggs, then sprinkle sugar and almonds over them. Cut butter or margarine into slices and place on top of well. Knead to a smooth dough. Place in refrigerator for half an hour. On a floured surface roll out dough to 1/8 inch thickness. Cut out dough using cookie forms. Grease a cookie sheet and sprinkle lightly with sliced almonds. Place the cookie cutouts on top. Bake in a preheated oven at 375 degrees for 8-10 minutes until lightly brown. Yields 90 cookies.

Uncle Don's **Favorite** Syrup Pie

1 ½ cups sugar

1 tsp. salt

1 ½ cup Steen's cane syrup

butter (size of an egg)

10" pie shell

Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Beat eggs. Add sugar and beat again. Add salt, syrup and butter. Mix well. Pour into 10" unbaked crust. Bake in hot oven for about 10 minutes. Lower oven temperature to 350 degrees and bake until firm, about 45 minutes. Test to see if knife comes out clean.

> Submitted for 2001 cookbook by Mrs. Louis Leonards, Office of Ag & Environmental Sciences/Haughton

Honey Bun Cake

1 box yellow cake mix

3/4 cup oil

4 eggs

1 cup brown sugar

1 (8 oz.) container sour cream

1 tbsp. cinnamon

Mix cake mix, eggs, sour cream and oil. Pour half batter into greased 9x13 pan. Mix brown sugar and cinnamon and sprinkle over batter. Pour remaining batter over top. Swirl with knife. Bake at 325 degrees for 40 minutes.

Glaze: 2 cups powdered sugar

1 tbsp. vanilla

4 tbsps. milk

Mix sugar, vanilla and milk. Stir over low heat and pour over hot

Submitted for 2005 cookbook by Mrs. Kevin Wofford, Office of Ag and Environmental Sciences/Monroe

Light Mulled Cider

1 tub Crystal Light Citrus Blend Sugar Free 4 cinnamon sticks

2 tsps. whole cloves

1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg

1 gallon apple cider

drink mix

Stir ingredients in Dutch oven or large saucepan over low heat for 20 minutes or until thoroughly heated; do not boil. Remove cinnamon sticks and cloves. Serve warm in tall mugs. Yields 16 (1 cup) servings.

Orange Creamsickle Pie

1 (8 oz.) pkg. fat free

½ tsp. vanilla extract

cream cheese

1 small pkg. sugar free orange

1 (8 oz.) container fat free orange yogurt

1 cup fat free whipped topping 1 low fat graham cracker pie

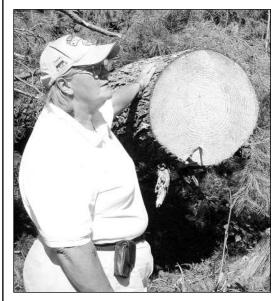
5 packets of sugar replace-

Beat cream cheese and yogurt until creamy. Add sugar replacement and vanilla extract, continue mixing. Stir in orange gelatin, beat to blend. Fold in whipped topping. Pour into pie crust and chill for at least 2 hours.

> Submitted for 2001 cookbook by Chris Blalock Office of Weights & Measures/Haughton

Green industry,

continued from page 12-





Pat Newman stands by the trunk of one of the hundreds of fallen pine trees that had to be cut and removed from the Folsom Nursery grounds following Hurricane Katrina (above left). Thousands of plant ID tags were flung to the floor in a storage shed that lost its roof during the storm (above right).

Newman is anxious about when homeowners affected by the hurricanes will be ready to re-install their landscaping. While money is tight and people are forced to carefully budget every penny they spend, landscaping might seem like a luxury item that will have to come at the end.

"Consumers have lost their homes and their money is going to go to rebuilding first," Newman hypothesized.

"Everything else, like restoring power and water, has to happen before landscaping."

Back in Folsom, Newman is trying to cope with the destruction day by day. With 23 years in the business, she is still shocked and disappointed when she looks out at Folsom Nursery.

"It's the size of the (downed) trees that gets you," she said. "The loss of beauty of the trees and surrounding landscape – that tears at all of us."

The hillside nursery off Highway 40 where Magee and her father planted pine seedlings so many years ago is now bare and exposed to all the elements. Magee and Newman used the once towering pines to shade their thousands of container plants as they grew large enough to sell to landscapers and retail nurseries. During Katrina's strong winds, the trees came crashing to the ground, flattening many of the plants below. Plants that weren't destroyed by the trees were either blown away or of Alexandria, so many destroyed.

died from lack of water after the

After the storm blew through the area, electrical services were nonexistent. Desperately needed irrigation systems couldn't operate or were too damaged to work by generator power. Newman and her unstoppable employees managed to move some of the remaining plants to a small tract of land near the greenhouses where they rigged an irrigation system to keep them alive. She estimates, with the plant losses, damage to a few outbuildings and

greenhouses, destruction of the irrigation system and pumps, the nursery sustained nearly \$1 million in financial losses.

That doesn't include the revenue Folsom Nursery is losing every day because of closed markets and their inability to provide plants to landscapers and retailers in other markets.

"If we don't have plants, landscapers and retailers don't have a source," Newman remarked. And she's not just speaking for herself. Newman said

of the people who grow and provide plants for the state's beautiful landscapes were affected by either Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita or maybe even both.

Yet, those with Newman's tenacity plan to rebuild and leave

"People in the nursery industry are fighters. We will come back, but it will take time," Newman said as she looked at the mangled pots and limbs strewn across the nursery. "I will not live to see us grow on the scale we once grew."



nearly 80 percent of A Folsom Nursery worker helps empty Louisiana's nursery dead plants from their containers. The growers, retailers and pots will be counted in order to get a landscapers are south final total of how many plants were

Attention Barrel Racers

Winter Buckle Series Barrel Racing/Pole Bending begins Dec. 17 at Tin Top Arena in Lecompte. Open, novice horse and age group classes will be offered. Exhibition starts at 11 a.m. and competition will follow. Future dates include Jan. 14 and 28, Feb. 11, and March 11 and 25. For more information, call (318) 445-8907.

Coming Your Way

The 11th Annual East Texas Fall Spectacular Sale and 9th Annual Ranch Horse Competition will be held Nov. 25-27 at the George H. Henderson Jr. Expo Center in Lufkin, Texas.

The Ranch Horse Competition will begin at 3:30 p.m. Friday with \$6,000 cash and prizes available for winners.

Sales will be held Friday night, Saturday morning and Sunday morning.

For more information, visit the Web site www.havardsales.com or call (936)634-5217.

The 44th Annual Louisiana Beekeepers Assoc. Convention will be held Dec. 2-3 at the Best Western Hotel Acadiana and Conference Center in Lafayette.

Information will be available on beekeeping basics, honeybee research, pest management and other bee-related topics.

Rooms are being held for the group at a special rate. Contact the hotel by Nov. 15 and mention the beekeepers to get the rate.

A \$10 reservation fee is required

For more information, contact Billy Hummer at (318) 742-3541, Sharon Hebert at (337) 937-6722 or Jimmy Dunkley at (225) 952-

Coushatta's first Christmas trail ride and horse parade will begin at 10 a.m. Dec. 10 at the Coushatta Arena.

The contests and judging will begin at 4:30 p.m. with contests for Best Decorated Horse and Rider and Best Decorated Horse and Wagon. The parade will begin at 5

No motorized vehicles will be

allowed in the parade.

For more information, contact Jamie Barlow at (318) 932-4312 or (318) 932-5736, or Mack Parson at (318) 871-6471.

Don Knapp, a three-star natural horsemanship instructor, will offer a clinic Dec. 10-13 at the SugArena in New Iberia.

Knapp is certified to assess levels one and two and to teach levels one, two and three.

Cost to attend is \$400 for two days or \$500 for three days.

Auditor tickets are also available at a cost of \$25 for one day, \$40 for two days or \$60 for three days. Admission is free for supervised children, 4-H members SugArena volunteers with ID.

For more information, contact Cathe Charlier at (337) 857-0297 or ccharlier@cox-internet.com.

High Delta Exotics offers safari park wagon tours the first Sunday of every month at 362 Pickett Lane in Delhi.

The cost is \$15 and a barbecue lunch is also served.

For more information, call 1-888-244-3319.

Johnson & Wales University is sponsoring a recipe contest for high school seniors.

The food service and hospitality school will award nearly \$80,000 in scholarships to the winners.

Recipes must be postmarked by Jan. 9, 2006.

A "Taster of the States" recipe category is available. Students must include at least one recipe ingredient that is indigenous to their state or region of the country to compete in this category.

For more information, visit the Web site www.jwu.edu.

Southern University 63rd Annual State Livestock and 15th Annual State Market Goat Show

The Southern University livestock and goat shows will be held March 2-4, 2006, at the M.A. Edmond Livestock Arena next to Jetson

Animal possession dates and entry form due dates are as follows:

Division	Possession Date	Entry Date
Market lambs	Oct. 1, 2005	Nov. 1, 2005
Market goats	Nov. 30, 2005	Dec. 15, 2005
Market hogs	Dec. 15, 2005	Dec. 30, 2005
Beef breeding	Nov. 30, 2005	Dec. 30, 2005
Dairy	Nov. 30, 2005	Dec. 30, 2005
Poultry (broilers only)*	Jan. 28, 2006	Jan. 28, 2006

For more information, contact Christie Monroe at (225) 771-3510 or

*All broilers must be ordered through the Southern University Livestock Show Office. Order forms must be returned by Dec. 10.

A message from Commissioner Bob Odom:

Have a safe holiday season filled with happy moments spent with family and friends. Drive carefully and remember, designate a driver before every holiday party.

Visit your local farmers market

ALLEN PARISH

Oakdale

Oakdale Farmers Market Hwy. 165 btwn. 6th & 7th aves. Sat. 7 a.m. until sold out

June-July

BIENVILLE PARISH

Gibsland

Gibsland Farmers Market Assoc.

Main Street

Wed. & Sat. 7 a.m.

until sold out

June - Oct. **CADDO PARISH**

Shreveport

Festival Plaza Farmers Market river front at Festival Plaza

Wed. & Sat. 6:00 - 11 a.m.

June 5-July 31

Sat. only Aug. 1-28

CALCASIEU PARISH

Lake Charles

Charlestown Farmers Market

1001 Ryan Street

Sat. 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Dates TBA

EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH

Baton Rouge

Red Stick Farmers Market #1 On Fifth St. near Main & Galvez

Parking Garage

Sat. 8 a.m.- noon.

Jan.-Dec.

Red Stick Farmers Market #2

8470 Goodwood Blvd.

Unitarian Church Parking Lot

Tues. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. May-July & Sept. - Dec.

EVANGELINE PARISH

Ville Platte Farmers Market

11 East Main Street

Fri. 5 p.m.-7 p.m.

Summer schedule TBA

IBERIA PARISH New Iberia

Teche Area Farmers Market Iberia St. & Main St.

Tues. 4 - 7 p.m.

Sat. 7 - 10:30 a.m.

year round LAFAYETTE PARISH

Lafayette

Acadiana Farmers Market 801 Foreman Dr. & Dulles St.

Tues., Thurs. & Sat.

Jan. - Dec.

Lafavette

City Garden Market River Ranch

Sat. 8 a.m. - noon

year round

LAFOURCHE PARISH

Thibodaux

Thibodaux Main Street Market

310 West 2nd Street

Sat. 7 - 11 a.m.

April-July & Sept.-Dec. **MADISON PARISH**

Tallulah

Tallulah Farmers Market 408 N. Cedar St., Hwy. 165 Tues., Thurs. & Sat.

8 a.m. - noon, May-Nov.

NATCHITOCHES PARISH Natchitoches

Cane River Green Market

Cane River Bank

Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

April - Nov. 15 **ORLEANS PARISH**

New Orleans

Crescent City Farmers Market

Locations:

#1-700 Magazine St. & Girod St.

Saturday 8 a.m. - noon

Jan. - Dec.

#2 - Uptown Square, 200

Broadway

Tues. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Jan. - Dec. #3 - French Market Place &

Governor Nicholls

Wed. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Jan. - Dec.

#4 - American Can Parking Lot

3700 Orleans Ave.

Thurs. 3 p.m.-7 p.m., year round

OUACHITA PARISH

Monroe

Monroe Farmers Market 1212 Washington St.

Mon. - Sat.

6 a.m. - 1 p.m. June - Aug. 20

West Monroe

West Monroe Farmers Market

1700 North 7th St.

Mon. - Sat. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

ST. LANDRY PARISH

Opelousas

St. Landry Farmers Market 952 East Landry St., Hwy. 90 Tues., Thurs. & Sat.

6 a.m. - 11 a.m., Jan.-Dec.

ST. MARTIN PARISH St. Martinville

St. Martinville Creole Farmers

Market

Evangeline Blvd. & Main St. Sat. 9 a.m. - 12:30, May-Dec.

ST. TAMMANY PARISH

Covington

Covington Farmers Market City Hall, 609 North Columbia

Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Wed. noon - 4 p.m.

Jan. - Dec. Mandeville

Mandeville Trailhead Community

Market

675 Lafitte St.

Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. TANGIPAHOA PARISH

Hammond

Cate Square Farmers Market

Charles St. & Oak St. Sat. 9 a.m. - noon, Jan. - Dec.

TERREBONNE PARISH

Houma

Cajun Farmers Market of Houma

- Terrebonne

Tunnel Blvd. & Naquin St. Mon. - Sat.

6 a.m. - 6 p.m., Jan. - Dec.

WASHINGTON PARISH Bogalusa

Bogalusa Farmers Market 500 Block of Columbia St.

Sat., 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Jun. - Oct. 2

WEST FELICIANA PARISH

St. Francisville

St. Francisville Farmers Market agricultural pavilion (4-H Barn) Wilcox St.

Thurs. 1:30-5:30 p.m., May-Nov.

WINN PARISH

Winnfield

Winn Farmers Market 301 West Main & St. John St. Tues., Thurs. & Fri. 7 - 10 a.m.

June & July Thurs. 7 - 10 a.m., Aug. - Nov.

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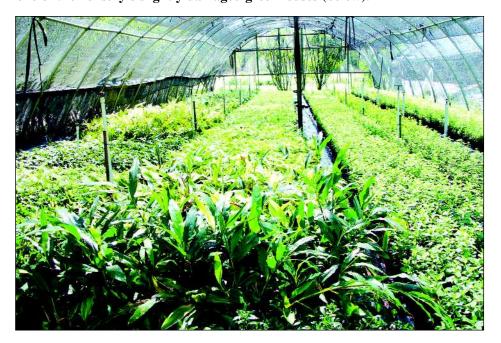


Blue

after two destructive hurricanes



An old water tank rigged to hydrate the few plants left, welcomes guests to Folsom Nursery (top right). Hurricane-force winds blew pots and tree limbs across the once tidy hillside nursery rows (top left). Giant pine trees fell on plants of all sizes, from 1-gallon pots of mondo grass to 20-gallon azaleas (above). Salvaged plants and those too small to make it outside, are housed in one of the nursery's slightly damaged greenhouses (below).





By Ashley Rodrigue

Azaleas. Mondo grass. Gardenias. Indian Hawthornes. Camellias. Sasanquas. Split-leaf philodendrons. Banana plants.

They dot the landscape of nearly every Louisiana home, adding their natural beauty and color to the aesthetic value that pleases the eye. But not many people think about how those plants got their start.

Who painstakingly watered and nurtured the greenery in their tiny pots and transplanted them into larger, multi-gallon containers just before they were placed in a home's front yard? Who made sure the plants had just enough shade and the right amount of sunlight to stimulate the scientific process of photosynthesis that produces lush green foliage?

Someone like Pat Newman of Folsom Nursery, that's who.

"Most people don't think about what it took or cost to grow their landscape," Newman said. "It increases the value of their home and does something for the spirit. We help a person de-stress and we help clean the air. But most don't think about what it took to get those plants there."

Newman and business partner Suzie Magee run the oldest wholesale nursery on the North Shore of Lake Pontchartrain. But, like so many wholesale and retail nurseries in the Florida Parishes, their little patch of heaven was crushed and mangled by Hurricane Katrina. And less than a month later, their peers along the southwest Louisiana Gulf Coast were dealt a similar blow.

"The nursery industry is almost at a stand still and will be for a while," Newman said as she surveyed her nursery from a golf cart. "Even if you clean this up, you can't put it right back. Trees and shrubs just don't grow in one year."

Economists from the LSU AgCenter estimate the nursery, or "green industry" suffered losses totaling more than \$20.4 million from hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The green industry, which includes wholesale nurseries, various landscape services and retail garden centers, contributes about \$2.215 billion to the state's economy annually. The industry also employs more than 56,000 people in Louisiana.

"The impact of lost income and jobs will be dramatic," Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner Bob Odom said. "We are going to work with the green industry, especially to ensure that everyone who does landscape work is licensed and legitimate and not trying to take money away from honest Louisiana businesses. The Department of Agriculture and Forestry is here to assist the industry in any way we

Nursery owners are not only worried about damages done to their businesses and the loss of plants; they also are concerned about the market, or demand, for their plant products.

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